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On June 4, 2008, Governor Schwarzenegger signed an Executive Order proclaiming the first Statewide drought in 16 years. On August 5, 2008, the Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution declaring a Countywide Water Supply and Conservation Alert, and urging County departments to immediately implement conservation measures to achieve a 15 to 20 percent reduction in overall water demand.

In response to the above directive, a 10 percent water reduction was achieved by implementing various water conservation measures, including waterless urinals in some County facilities. However, additional water savings can be achieved by further utilization of waterless urinals and low-flow toilets or dual flush valves in all County-owned facilities.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Internal Services Department to:

1. Work with all County departments to assess the existing number of urinals and toilets in all County-owned facilities that can be retrofitted to waterless or

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low-flow water consumption, excluding lockup areas and detention areas within Sheriff and Probation facilities, and excluding the jail portions of hospitals.

2. Prepare a written report to the Board within 60 days to include the following:
 - a. The number of urinal and toilet fixtures in County facilities;
 - b. Approximate cost to convert to waterless or low-flow fixtures;
 - c. Amount of water that can be conserved, including the financial savings to the County through reduced water usage;
 - d. A recommended timeframe to complete the conversions.

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